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Bonneville Power Administration

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DATE: December 5, 2000

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: KEC-4

SUBJECT: Supplement Analysis for the Watershed Management Program EIS, (DOE/EIS-0265/SA-46)

TO: Joe D. Herrera - KEW-4
Fish and Wildlife Project Manager

Proposed Action: Edler and Henne Property Acquisition

Work Order No: 00002293

Watershed Management Techniques or Actions Addressed Under This Supplement Analysis
(See App. A of the Watershed Management Program EIS): 2.15 Acquisition of sensitive riparian resources.

Location: Yakima, Washington, Yakima County.

Proposed by: Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), and the Yakama Nation (YN).

Description of the Proposed Action: BPA proposes to acquire two pieces of property for riparian vegetation restoration purposes.

Analysis: The compliance checklist for this project was completed by the YN and meets the standards and guidelines for the Watershed Management Program Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Record of Decision (ROD).

This project involves land acquisition only; no listed species would be affected. Therefore, this concludes the requirement for informal consultation on threatened and endangered species under the Endangered Species Act.

A cultural resource inventory was conducted by Barbara Gundy of the Archaeological and Historical Services of Eastern Washington University on July 29, 1999. No traditional cultural properties or previously recorded cultural resources were located within the project area. Therefore, the proposed project would not affect any cultural resources.

A flyer was sent out to about 600 residents in the lower Naches River informing people about the YN Habitat Program. The YN also held a public open house meeting on Tuesday, October 17, 2000, to talk to the public about their habitat program. There were 15 people in attendance, mostly landowners. This satisfies BPA's requirements for public involvement.

Findings: The project is generally consistent with Section 7.6A.1 and 7.6A.2 of the Northwest Power Planning Council's Fish and Wildlife Program. The attached Supplement Analysis finds

1) that the proposed actions are substantially consistent with the Watershed Management Program EIS (DOE/EIS-0265) and ROD, and; 2) that there are no new circumstances or information relevant to environmental concerns and bearing on the proposed actions or their impacts. Therefore, no further NEPA documentation is required.

/s/ Eric N. Powers

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Environmental Project Lead

CONCUR: /s/ Thomas C. McKinney DATE: 12/11/00

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NEPA Compliance Officer

Attachments:

NEPA Compliance Checklist

Public Flier

ELA Report

Heritage Resources Inventory Report

cc: (w/attachments)

Mr. Scott Nicolai - Yakama Nation

bcc: (w/o attachments)

K. Nakata - DOE/EH-42

B. Beraud - KEC-4

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